

# Queen Anne Cobblestone

The Newsletter of the Queen Anne Historical Society, Seattle, WA

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### A New Day for Our Queen Anne History Book!

Just in time for holiday gift buying, the Queen Anne Historical Society has received its second printing of our highly regarded history of our neighborhood, Queen Anne— Community on the Hill.

After nine years, we had reached the end of our initial supply. The first printing of 300 hard cover and 3000 soft cover copies has provided a steady income over the years, to supplement our membership dues.

Today, we can again offer a continuing supply of the soft cover copies and, for the first time in nine years, a new printing of a handsome, brick-red, hard cover version. In both versions, the photographs have a slightly improved quality due to today's printing capabilities.

The soft cover books will remain at the same price as before: \$25 for the public and \$20 for members. The hard cover (casebound) books are priced at \$45 for the public and \$40 for members. Mailing is \$3.

These books are available now. Use the coupon on page 3 or look in our local book stores. If you can help place our books in other book stores, please call Bruce Jones at 206-691-1911.

### Our November Meeting Looks At Production of a TV Program about WWII for the BBC

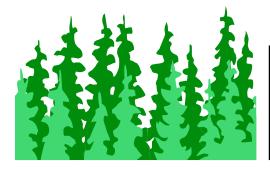
### Wed. Nov. 20, 7:30 pm

**GREGG PALMER,** formerly of KING TV, where he had a regular feature titled, "The Palmer Method", will show excerpts of his most recent TV production, which he did for the BBC, entitled, "World War II In color". This program just aired on the BBC to great raves and is schduled on the PBS network in February of 2003. Greg will describe the program features and production elements.

Also on the program will be a brief update by **Ron Mason**, QAHS Board member, of the **Historic Resources Survey Project** to be carried out by our Society, with your help, in the coming months.

Join your neighbors at our next public meeting Wed., Nov. 20th, 7:30 pm
McClure Middle School Library
First Ave. West and West Crockett St.

The meeting is free and open to the public. It begins at 7:30 pm at McClure Middle School library, 1915 1st Ave. West, on Queen Anne. For more information, contact John Hennes at 206-284-2266.



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#### MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Our membership year ended May 31 and your renewals for 2002-2003 are needed now. Your mailing label shows the year your current membership expires. If your label shows 2002 your renewal is needed now. Please use the coupon on p. 3. This will be the last Cobblestone for those who have not

renewed Our thanks to those who have already renewed.

For more information, contact our Membership Chair, Nadine Belcher, at 206-284-8369. .....Thanks for being a part of a great organization!

#### CALENDAR OF

#### Wed. Nov. 20, 2002

Program: Greg Palmer on TV production of his BBC program on WWII. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free. (See story

#### Month of December, 2002

Event: Annual "Crown of Lights" Contest. Our annual contest for beautiful holiday lighting on Queen Anne. Prizes for best residences, both on and off the "Boulevard".

#### Wed. Jan. 15, 2003

Program: A members' "My Special Heritage" program. Members and their friends are invited to bring personal artifacts from their family and tell about their historical significance to their family and the community. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

#### Wed. Mar. 19, 2003

Program: The Wellington Avalanche of March, 1910. McClure Middle School Library,

### St. Anne Eighth Graders Take a Walk in the Past

The day before Halloween saw a group of 20-plus students, along with some parents and their teacher, Ms Pam Sturgeon, walking through Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, asking questions and hearing stories about some of our communities past residents. Isabel Egglin again coordinated this nowannual event. The kids had a great time. See Kim Turner's comments on page 4 for more perceptions.



#### **Queen Anne: Community on the Hill**

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The mission of the Queen Anne Historical Society is to record and preserve, in permanent form, the history of the settling of the Queen Anne community and to develop within the community an appreciation and concern for its history and its historical sites.

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#### HERITAGE NEWS

## Historic Survey of QA Still Being Planned.

#### **Society Members Help Needed**

The Queen Anne Historical Society is supporting a major effort in our community to conduct a historical resource survey of houses and buildings. The Seattle Dept. of Neighborhoods has provided matching grant funds, and the Society will help provide people to conduct a survey, do research of selected houses and publish the results.

Society members Ron Mason, Bruce Jones, Kim Turner, Isabel Egglin and Virginia Voorhees-Wilcox are working with the City of Seattle and professional consultants to organize this program.

A historical background paper is being written now and Volunteer training and task schedules will be planned next. The entire project is expected to be complete by April.

Your help as a volunteer will be needed to spend a few hours walking a neighborhood, photographing some of the houses and making notes.

If you have given them your name, you will be contacted. If you would like to help plan or work on this, give Ron Mason a call at 2838630, or email him at ron@qahistory.org. All of our members, and your friends, can be of value here.

#### **Holiday Market at MOHAI**

The sixth annual Holiday Market will be held at the Museum of History and Industry on **Saturday**, **Nov. 30**, **10 am to 5 pm.** This festive event provides you an opportunity to purchase heritage-related items for your holiday gift giving.

Admission to the museum is free that day. Come and see your friends and meet local authors, etc. This is a fun event and very simple. If you would like to help us at our QAHS table, call Bob Frazier, 285-0958.

#### Walking Tours In Limbo

The Society's last walking tour, other than our annual June tour of Mt. Pleasant Cemetery (many thanks again to Loretta and Bill Edwards, proprietors), was a year ago. There are no tours scheduled for this year. The effort required has been beyond our busy schedules, particularly for Kim Turner, our main tour planner.

Perhaps you have had ideas for possible tours? Why don't you come to our next board meeting and tell us about your ideas? The Board meets on the second Wednesday of each month, at 6:30 pm at Bayview



The Seattle Civic Auditorium, built 1925-1928 at the corner of Mercer St. and 3rd Ave N. The basic structure still exists inside the Opera House, built for the Century 21 World's Fair. It will continue to exist, in modified form, inside the new Marion Oliver McCaw Hall now taking shape on this site for a 2003 opening.

(Photo courtesy Seattle Engineering Dept.)

Yes, I want to order the Society's book, Queen Anne—Community on the Hill. I understand that shipping costs will be added.
Prices are:  Soft cover: \$25 (\$20 for paid members)  Hard cover: \$45 (\$40 for paid members)  Please send me the following  Soft cover qty: Total cost: \$  Hard cover qty: Total cost:

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Coming up: Greg Palmer describes his experiences producing a WWII TV program for the BBC at the Nov. 20th Program



#### NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES BY KIM TURNER

On a bright and crisp October morning, four tour guides: Del Loder, Bob Frazier, John Hennes, and Kim Turner, all awaited the arrival of the class from St. Anne's School, to give our now-famous cemetery tour. The two groups of twelve and their guides took in the gravesites of the Blaines, Bells, and Bagleys, along with the memorials to the dead of the Steamer Valencia, the Everett Massacre, and the Wellington Avalanche.

The students were impressed with the stories of the disasters and left flags and flowers at many of the gravesites. The Vietnam War casualties and Demetri Corahorgi's graves were of most interest to the group. Once again, having a student read the Carlos Bulosan "Freedom from Want" was a moving experience.

We hope to continue these tours with our local school students, as it is one way to bring history to life and to give the students an idea of the importance of the events of the past. For myself, as a cemetery tour guide for the first time in three years, the combined exercise and teaching experience left me feeling great the rest of the day.

In other Archive notes, I can report that the photos loaned to us earlier this fall are under process of duplication for the Archives; also, I gave new articles on Bertha Pitts Campbell for the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery tours. These will be housed in the Archives, when they are not in use.

As I continue to sort my personal historic Queen Anne material, I am finding much material from the meetings of the late 1980s and early 1990s, covering some of the details on putting the history book together. I am certain that by this time next year, as the Downtown Library moves into its new building, that most of the materials I am going through will be sorted carefully into boxes labeled correctly, and that some of what I find will be given to the QAHS archives. How we will choose to use it remains a future concern. Every member of this organization has memories and keepsakes from past events on and around Queen Anne; if you don't have families to give them to you should consider the Society archive.

Interested in becoming more involved with the Queen Anne Historical Society? Join the Board of Trustees! Call John Hennes at (206) 284-2266 for more details about how you can share in making and keeping Queen Anne's history.

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